

HBG

February 23/7

Mr. G. W. West -

Dear Cousin, I know you  
will turn this over at once to  
see who in the world it is, &  
I almost feel as though we would  
need an introduction. Yet, I  
am sure I should know you, for  
I imagine you must look just  
as you used to, with just the  
same twinkle in your eyes.  
But you would never recognize  
the slender ~~hand~~ ~~scarred~~

girl who must have caused you & Della  
much anxiety, in the perfectly proper  
stout grey haired lady who is writing  
to you. I think I am like both Mother  
& Father, I know Fred is & people say we  
look alike.

I wish in might see each other & our  
families. You know Clifford is a newspaper  
man so you two would be friends at once,  
he loves the beautiful & artistic as you  
do & I wish you might know each other.  
My big girl Phoebe is tall & slender, about  
5ft 6 1/2 in - (taller than I) - she will be 19 in  
May. She graduated from High School last  
June but we could not send her away to  
school this year so she is busying herself  
with things at home. Just now she is in  
a friend's millinery store learning to make  
hats for which she has some talent. You  
would like her for she is well balanced &  
very individual. Our little girl, Leslie  
will be eleven in May & she is more like  
me, just an ordinary thoughtless kiddie,  
lovable but irresponsible, at times the des-  
pair of the family, especially Phoebe.

I had a long letter from Delia the other  
day - filled with news of the family, she  
is the only one I ever hear from, no  
doubt largely my own fault. I had not



heard of Rena's death before - will  
write to Lina.

When we learned of your all being  
in Florida, we wished we might go  
there too - but I doubt if we ever  
get there - it is about the farthest  
place from home we could find  
in the U. S. But we would like to  
hear from you & so have a copy of  
your paper occasionally.

Remember me to all the family  
and though it is years since I wrote  
you, my thought runs back over  
many pleasant hours spent with  
you in your home & I send you  
much love.

Your cousin

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